

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



**FISCAL MEMORANDUM**

**HB 1722 - SB 2005**

March 8, 2022

**SUMMARY OF BILL AS AMENDED (014249):** Authorizes a member of an optional retirement plan (ORP) to designate a different beneficiary if the member has not changed the designated beneficiary since their retirement, if the designated beneficiary has died, or if the member is getting divorced from the designated beneficiary.

**FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL AS AMENDED:**

**NOT SIGNIFICANT**

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 8-36-606, a member may cancel the designated beneficiary of an ORP in the event of a divorce and elect a new beneficiary.
- It is estimated that the legislation will not have an administrative impact on the Tennessee Consolidated Retirement System, as any programming changes that will occur as a result of the proposed legislation are expected to be absorbed by utilizing existing staff and resources.
- The proposed legislation will not affect the retirement allowance a member receives, does not allow a member to increase their number of beneficiaries, and only entitles a newly designated beneficiary to remaining member contributions; therefore, any fiscal impact is estimated to be not significant.

**CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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